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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Kiyoshi Sato)
Serial No. 09/610,558) Examiner: William Joseph Klimowicz)
Filing Date: July 5, 2000) Group Art Unit No. 2652
For: THIN FILM MAGNETIC HEAD WITH TRACK WIDTH RESTRICTING GROOVE FORMED TO FULLY REACH LOWER CORE LAYER, AND MANUFACTURING METHOD FOR THE SAME))

AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated June 24, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows: Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.